Step 2 Developing Reading Skills



The Adventure of Blueberry Boy

It was the school summer holidays. Early on a normal Tuesday morning, Billy heard loud noises coming from downstairs. He stumbled downstairs and saw his mum running out of the door. She was late for work again. In the kitchen, his breakfast lay on the table.

Billy took a blueberry and popped it into his mouth.

As he bit into it, something very odd happened. He felt himself get very hot and his skin turned blue!

Q1: Where was Mum going in such a rush? Tick one.		
to the park	into the garden	
o to work	to the kitchen	
Q2 : What happened when Billy ate a	blueberry?	

Billy ran upstairs to look in the mirror. He saw that he was round, blue and dressed in an odd-looking superhero outfit. On his chest, there was a big letter B. "What does the B stand for?" he said to himself. Then, he remembered the blueberry.

Billy could feel butterflies in his tummy as he looked at himself. "I am Blueberry Boy," he whispered to himself. "I must have super powers!" he thought.

As quick as a flash, Billy was in the garden ready to test his new powers. "Maybe I can fly," he puzzled. Holding his breath, Billy jumped off the top of the slide...

Q3: Circle the superpower that Billy tried to test out first.
being invisible jumping high
super strength flying
Q4: Find two words which describe how Billy looked as Blueberry Boy.
Billy landed in a big heap on the floor.
"Maybe I am super strong," he said. He tried and tried to pick up the biggest rock he could find but he couldn't.
"I must be able to jump really high," he told himself. He tried to jump over the high fence at the back of the garden. CRASH. Billy jumped straight into the fence.
Suddenly, he noticed that the garden was looking very blue. He put his hand out to stroke his dog, Max. Amazingly, Max turned blue as well! Billy ran around the garden turning everything blue.
Q5: Why do you think that Billy ran around the garden turning everything blue?

Q6: Put these sentences in the order that they happen in the text.		
The first one has been done for you.	~~	
He tried to fly off the slide.	S S S S S S S S S S	
Billy turned into Blueberry Boy.	} ~	
He tried to jump over the fence.		
He turned his dog blue.		
Billy ate a blueberry.	71	
He tried to pick up a big rock.	ଦ ଘ	